

### HARDING SUGGESTS NEW ASSOCIATION

Washington, Nov. 25.—A continuing series of international conferences, whose fruition may be an "association of nations," has been suggested informally by President Harding to some of the arms delegates and has met with the general approval.

The suggestion has by no means reached the point of a definite proposal for such an association, but it was revealed tonight that the president's personal conversations with foreign spokesmen on the subject had greatly increased his hope for a new day in international relationship as a result of the Washington conference.

It was indicated further that as a first step toward worldwide recognition for the conference plan the results of the negotiations here might be submitted for approval not only to the participating nations but to those not represented here, including Germany and Russia.

So far as the suggestions of Mr. Harding have been made known, they contemplate a meeting of nations about the council table once a year to thresh out troublesome questions and devise means for the preservation of peace. It is said to be the hope of the president that in the end all the smaller governments will join with the great powers in whatever discussions may concern them or the world situation generally.

### Live Stock Loans Will be Sought

Florence, Nov. 25.—Farmers of the Pee Dee district of South Carolina took definite steps today to avail themselves of the federal government live stock loan through the War Finance corporation. Fifty of the biggest and most progressive farmers of the district convened in Florence, upon invitation of W. W. Long, director of state extension service, to discuss this matter.

Four specific resolutions were adopted and are being forwarded to J. Pope Matthews in Columbia as chairman of the state board, which represents the War Finance Corporation. The first of these requests that the board add a representative banker, who is recognized as an authority on live stock in this section, to its membership, inasmuch as none of the committee now profess such qualifications. Bright Williamson of Darlington is suggested for such appointment since group six of the South Carolina Bankers' association in creating a committee for this specific purpose designated him chairman of it. The board is urged to frame as definite a plan as possible, a sort of standard paper on which money may be borrowed on live stock. The fourth resolution requests Mr. Long to appoint committees of such number of persons as he deems advisable, in every county in the Pee Dee, to cooperate with the war finance board and local banks in fixing the values and collateral for live stock loans and to aid in informing the farmers how they may apply for and procure aid from this fund.

Mr. Long opened the meeting with a statement that this money is available but the farmers are slow taking advantage of it for two reasons. First, they do not understand the terms or conditions under which money may be procured from the board, and second, local banks generally do not understand handling live stock papers, though they are adepts with cotton papers. Emphasizing this fact, Mr. Shealy of Clemson college announced the finance corporation already has advanced \$2,500,000 in South Carolina. Of this one loan was on live stock, and it took 33 days to negotiate it because neither the applicant nor his banker understood how to make up live stock papers.

### Red Cross Roll Call

Again, the Red Cross Roll Call comes around and you are invited to join. No canvass is being made but if you wish to retain your membership send the dollar to The Times office and it will be forwarded to headquarters.

J. Roy Fant,  
1234-2tpd Chairman Local Chap.

### Meeting U. D. C.

The William Wallace chapter, U. D. C., will meet Monday afternoon, November 28th, at the Chamber of Commerce at 3:45 o'clock.

Important business is to be transacted and a full attendance is desired. The hostesses are Mrs. A. P. McElroy, Mrs. Davis Jeffries, Mrs. W. J. Haile, Mrs. J. L. Carbery, Mrs. Preston Bobo and Mrs. Felix Gaudelock.

Mrs. T. C. Duncan,  
1234-2tpd Cor. Sec.

Miss Margaret Pittman of Winthrop college is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. A. McA. Pittman, of Carlisle. Her room-mate, Miss Virginia White, accompanied her.

### ARBuckle TRIAL GOES FORWARD

San Francisco, Nov. 25.—Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress, whose death the state charges resulted from injuries received at the hands of Roscoe C. Arbuckle, was represented today in a statement read at the Arbuckle manslaughter trial here as having stated to Dr. M. E. Rumwell, San Francisco physician, that she "must have been intoxicated for she could not remember what happened" during the course of a party in Arbuckle's rooms here.

Dr. Rumwell testified to having attended Miss Rappe after the Arbuckle party.

Miss Rappe told him she had been drinking and "she did not recollect anything that happened," Dr. Rumwell testified. The prosecution moved that this testimony be stricken out but the court allowed it to remain.

Dr. Rumwell said he saw no bruises or other marks on Miss Rappe's body.

Dr. Rumwell was not cross-examined. Miss Irene Morgan, trained nurse of South Pasadena, was the next witness.

Miss Morgan said she was employed in Hollywood by Miss Rappe as housekeeper and trained nurse. She said she saw Miss Rappe tearing at her clothes "many times" and treated her at least five times for bladder trouble.

Her patient used to "double up and cry" presumably as a result of the trouble, the witness said.

After drinking intoxicating liquors Miss Rappe would tear her clothes off, she said.

Under cross-examination the witness testified to having attended a South Pasadena woman during an operation. The prosecution explained that by bringing out this information it wished to establish a motive for Miss Morgan's statements regarding Miss Rappe. This line of evidence was stopped by the court.

The crowds were so dense at the opening of the afternoon session that the defendant and counsel had difficulty in reaching their seats.

Mrs. Bambina Maude Delmont, who brought the charge of murder against Arbuckle, which later was reduced to manslaughter, was a spectator. It was her first appearance since the trial began.

The defense finished putting in expert testimony today. Dr. George Franklin Shields, who testified as an alienist in the first trial of Harry K. Thum, illustrated on a blackboard how bladder injuries might be caused by hysteria or alcoholism. Dr. Lloyd Bryan and Fred H. Zumwalt testified that bladder ruptures may, under certain conditions, be purely spontaneous in character.

Mrs. Delmont sat close to Mrs. Minto Durfee Arbuckle, wife of the defendant, but, as far as could be seen, the women did not glance at each other.

Arbuckle apparently was unmoved by the evidence. He appeared more cheerful during the recess periods than he has been for some time past.

Miss Jennie Neighbors told of having met Miss Rappe at a summer resort near Los Angeles and of having ministered to her at the girl's request, for what seemed to be abdominal pains.

Harry B. Barker, a ranchman of Stockton, Calif., said he had known Miss Rappe intimately for five years and that he had seen her on several occasions "all doubled up and tearing at her clothes." Once, he said, she appeared to suffer greatly after drinking a small glass of wine. Barker said he had a real estate business in Gary, Ind., as well as his ranch in California.

### President Wishes Conference Continued

Washington, Nov. 26.—With the arms conference negotiations proceeding in the atmosphere of friendliness increasing importance is attached to the outcome as a result of the informally expressed hope of President Harding that the conclave might lay the foundation for continuing the series of conferences with the aim of perpetuating closer international accord.

### Delegation of Witnesses For Arbuckle

San Francisco, Nov. 26.—Further defense in the testimony formed the program in the manslaughter trial of Roscoe C. Arbuckle. The delegation of witnesses from Los Angeles film colony, headed by Alice Lake, are here expecting to testify in Arbuckle's behalf.

### Mine Sweeper After Liquor

Portsmouth, Va.,—U. S. Mine Sweeper Red Wing with a complement of 60 men under naval guard is following the discovery and removal of a large quantity of liquor.

Mrs. Theodore Maddox and children are visiting at Leonard Hall this week.

### DEATH CLAIMS CAPTAIN WAGENER

Charleston, Nov. 25.—Capt. F. W. Wagener died at his residence, No. 117 Broad street, this morning, after an illness of about ten days. While his sickness was generally known, his death came as a shock to the community. He was one of Charleston's best known and most beloved citizens and his passing brings sorrow to thousands of people.

A leader for many years in business enterprises of importance, Captain Wagener attained a reputation for integrity and progressiveness that was Southwide. He came to Charleston from Germany in 1848, a youth in his teens, and soon became identified with this city along lines that late made him an outstanding figure in its life. During the Confederate war, he served gallantly as captain of Company A, German artillery, and after the war always retained a close association with this historic command of which he remained the head. His business success is familiar to South Carolina, and the part he took as a citizen who had Charleston's best interests at heart won him hosts of friends. His work for the exposition held here 20 years ago will long be remembered with deep appreciation.

Head of Large Business.

As head of the widely known wholesale firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., and builder of the Pine Forest inn, he acquired friendships and business connections of far reaching scope. He was interested in and promoted successfully a large bagging manufacturing plant, now known as the Royal mills, and was engaged in many other business activities.

Born October 29, 1832, at Gernern, Germany, near Bremen, Capt. Wagener came to America in 1848, landing at New York, a boy of 15 years. He came to Charleston shortly after, his first occupation being with a German paper edited by his brother, John A. Wagener, who became a general during the Confederate war. In 1853, Captain Wagener started a grocery business, after having worked at various occupations.

Captain Wagener was in the Confederate army during the entire war, for four years and for months a member of Company A, German artillery. His company was one of four artillery companies which on December 27, 1860, were ordered to take charge of Fort Moultrie. At that time he was sergeant major. His company saw considerable active service during the war, and he was commissioned as a captain, serving the Confederate cause with intense patriotism. He was with the battery that surrendered under General Johnson in 1865, in North Carolina, at the conclusion of the war.

### Epworth League Party

The Epworth League of Unity Methodist entertained last evening at the home of Miss Ethel Hollingsworth and had a delightful time.

Games of various kinds were enjoyed and fruits and nuts served. About 25 young people were among the guests.

### Will Meet in Chicago

Chicago, Nov. 25.—Secretaries of state fairs from Georgia to Vancouver, B. C., will gather in Chicago Nov. 29 to Dec. 1, for the International and American Association of Fairs and Expositions. Various interstate and other fairs are included in the association's membership. This will be the first meeting of the single organization covering this field, merger of the two associations that hitherto occupied it having taken place here a year ago.

J. W. Russworm, of Nashville, secretary of the Tennessee State Fair, is president of the association and Don V. Moore of Sioux City, Ia., secretary-treasurer.

### Pension for Presidents

Mexico City, Nov. 25.—A bill has been introduced in the Senate providing for an annual pension of \$20,000 for all Mexican ex-presidents for the duration of their lives.

### Arthur Tompkins Prize \$10

1. Open to high school pupils only, grades 8 through 11.
2. Subject, "General Wade Hampton, the Confederate Chivalrous Knight of the Saddle."
3. Number of words not over 2,000.
4. Time limit, February 15, 1922. Must be in the hands of the local historical committee by that date.

### Standing of Contestants At Close of Contest

Miss Tracy . . . . . 705,350  
Mrs. Jones . . . . . 558,350  
Miss Swayngem . . . . . 120,920

### NINE WOUNDED AT NEGRO DANCE

McCormick, Nov. 25.—As a climax to the Thanksgiving day celebration of 15 or 20 middle aged negroes, who gathered at a vacant house on the farm of F. A. Fruit, near Mt. Carmel, in the upper section of McCormick county, last night, nine negroes are reported by Sheriff Milton McElroy to be in a more or less serious condition, suffering from wounds inflicted by weapons of every kind and description in the hands of parties unknown. It seems that in order to fittingly observe the day, the negroes assembled in a vacant tenant house on the farm of Mr. Fruit for the purpose of having plenty of room to dance the old fashioned square dance of days gone by, when it took more room than it does for the more fashionable dances of modern times. In addition to the musical instruments, many seemed to have carried weapons customarily used at hot supper. Sheriff McElroy was on the scene early this morning, not upon special request of any one, but upon information leading him to believe that a celebration had taken place in that vicinity last night. He sought in vain to elicit from those in bed suffering from gunshot, pistol and rifle wounds, some of whom are reported to be just alive, or get them to say who some of those in the party who did some of the shooting were, but none seems to know. One negro who was badly wounded told the sheriff that during the second cotillion some one blew out the light and with an oiled rag one began shooting but lead crossed the room then others joined in the shooting and soon every one was shot, a pistol or rifle ball, some of which are reported to be just alive, no one blames any one else for the shooting as they all say they do not know who is to blame. At least nine negroes of that section of McCormick county are shot and Sheriff McElroy has gone back this afternoon to make further investigation and is likely to bring back with him some of the attending party.

### Up Paymaster

Chelsea, Mass., Nov. 26.—Four men held up an automobile from the First National Bank of Boston here and stole the payroll funds said to be \$20,000.

### Suits Against Former State Treasurers

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 26.—Suits for accounting against five former state treasurers were started by Attorney General Brundage. The suit includes Governor Small and Lieutenant Governor Sterling.

### Third Attempt to Salvage Fails

New York, Nov. 26.—The third attempt to salvage the four million gold and silver cargo of Ward Steamer Merida, sunk 10 years ago off the Virginia Capes, has failed, so it was admitted at the office of the Salvage Company.

### Army and Navy Game Today

New York, Nov. 26.—Forty thousand spectators are expected for the army and navy game here today.

### Hughes Makes Daily Report

Washington, Nov. 26.—Secretary Hughes has made his regular daily report of the armament conference to President Harding.

### U. D. C. Program, Monday November 29th

Motto: "Loyalty to the Truth of Confederate History."

Subject: "New Orleans, the Queen City."

Talk, "It's Monuments," Miss Mary Flynn.

Paper, "The Battle on Land," Mrs. J. Clough Wallace.

Paper, "The Battle on Sea," Miss Adele Martin.

Talk, "Interesting Incidents of Its History," Mrs. Evelina Rice.

### Cotton Crop Short

Chester, Nov. 25.—W. F. Marion, cotton statistician for Chester county, reports 22,577 bales of cotton ginned in Chester county up to November 14, this year, as compared with 24,468 for the same period last year.

Miss Marie Truluck of Chesnee is spending the week-end with Mrs. Ben Adams at Adamsburg.

Russell Adams of Norton, Va., is spending the holidays at Adamsburg.

### AUGUSTA SUFFERS FROM BIG FIRE

Augusta, Nov. 26.—The loss of \$2,000,000 caused by a fire which laid nearly one-half of the 700 block of Broad street in ruins before being brought under control and caused the appeals to nearby towns for aid, the Johnson and Harrison buildings, the Albion hotel and Augusta Chronicle are totally destroyed and the Genesta hotel partly burned. J. B. White & Company store was partly burned and heavily damaged by water. Another fire two blocks away on Jackson street also gutted three buildings owned by Harry Cummings. The origin of the fire is not determined. Thousands of people witnessed the scene.

Augusta, Nov. 26.—The Harrison and Johnson building were totally destroyed early this morning by fire which has spread to the Augusta Chronicle building and to other structures in the block. The flames are beyond the control of the local fire department and calls have been sent to Macon, Ga., and Columbia, S. C., for assistance. A stiff breeze is blowing and the Albion hotel is threatened with destruction. Two hours after its discovery the fire was still spreading.

At 2:45 a. m.—The flames had consumed the Harrison and Johnson buildings. The Postal Telegraph company offices were located in the Harrison building. The Chronicle building is burning in the rear. Fire had spread from sparks to the corner of Jackson and Telfair streets. Neither are yet under control. The Albion hotel is seriously threatened.

The wind has shifted, taking the flames directly towards the Albion hotel, and indications are that it will be consumed, probably also the entire block bounded by Jackson, Broad and Telfair streets.

The street side of that block has gone to a depth of 100 feet.

At 3:15 a. m.—The fire had spread to the corner of Jackson and Telfair streets. The fire department is working to contain it.

Columbia, Nov. 26.—The fire in Augusta is being watched from here. Assistance from here is being offered.

### A Chorus of Protests

London, Nov. 26.—A chorus of vigorous protest against the renewal of the warfare in Ireland in event that the present peace negotiations collapse was raised by the morning newspapers.

### Explosions in Movie Theater

St. Petersburg, Fla., Nov. 25.—Two explosions of dynamite occurred in the interior of the negro motion picture theatre.

### Personal Mention

Mrs. J. Franklin Spears of Columbia, Miss Gertrude Smith, teacher in the Mabry school, and Miss Mary Smith, student in Limestone college, are spending the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, on route two.

Gist Finley, a prominent attorney of York is the guest of Capt. and Mrs. F. M. Farr.

Mrs. Swindell Klutz (Julia Smith) of Chester is visiting Mrs. F. M. Farr this week.

Misses Lela Pearl Jelly and Alma Betenbaugh of Winthrop college are spending the week-end with relatives in Union.

Miss Minnie McDaniel, who teaches in Orangeburg county, is spending the week-end in Union with relatives. She will return to her duties tomorrow afternoon.

Miss Kate Kilgo of Greenwood is spending several days with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Kilgo, at the Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. W. L. Jackson, who has been the guest of Mrs. Elias Prioleau, will return to her home in Atlanta tomorrow.

If parachutes are much less than 28 feet in diameter, descent is fatal. In Ceylon no man marries a woman unless she has a dowry.

Radio is used to send a crewless vessel as far as the electric impulses will carry.

No monkey has any regular language.

### Prisoner in Hiding

Jack Fields, white prisoner at the penitentiary, was thought to be hiding out in the prison yards or buildings somewhere last night, having been found missing at the roll call yesterday afternoon. Fields is serving a two year term from Spartanburg.

At the roll call Guard Gillespie reported Fields missing, and a search was begun. Col. A. K. Sanders, superintendent of the penitentiary, and prison guards were of the opinion that he was hiding somewhere in the yards. A strong guard was placed around the walls last night, but shortly before midnight no track of the prisoner had been found. A close watch is being kept and if Fields is in the yard he will likely be found.—The State.

### Search for Negro

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 25.—A negro whose name the police say they do not yet know, attempted, in the lower part of the city, this afternoon, to assault an eight year old white child. The man escaped over the river into the Carolina swamps. Posses of citizens followed in pursuit, but he has not yet been taken into custody. Bloodhounds are being secured and the search will be continued during night and tomorrow, and the authorities are confident that the man's arrest will be accomplished.

### NEGRO SHOTS TWO WHITE MEN

Springfield, N.Y., 25.—Boyce Cook and Cullord Gantt, two white men, from Barnwell county were shot this afternoon by a negro named Kirkland who was in turn possibly mortally wounded by the two officers. Messrs. Cook and Gantt were taken to a hospital in Columbia. The shooting took place just across the North Edisto river in Barnwell county about three miles from Springfield. The officers had gone to arrest another negro who escaped when the negro Kirkland began firing upon the officers with a shotgun. Mr. Gantt was the most seriously injured of the two white men. Mr. Cook put Mr. Gantt and the wounded negro into the car and drove on to Springfield where medical attention was given. The white men were taken to Columbia, and the negro was taken to Barnwell jail, the sheriff of Barnwell county being asked to meet the prisoner in Blackville.

Barnwell, Nov. 25.—Sheriff Sanders brought the negro Kirkland to the county jail here tonight, but left with his prisoner immediately when it was reported that a number of men were following the officer. In precaution against mob violence the sheriff left immediately without letting it be known where he would take the prisoner.

It is not known here who the negro being sought was, nor is there any information as to whom Gantt and Cook represented.

### A Thanksgiving Postscript

Yesterday, Friday, a group of men and boys met by appointment at the home of Miss Mary Jane Clarke and Mrs. Francis Foster, near Mt. Vernon church. Among those present were Mr. William Gregory and his sons, Messrs. Clarence and Monroe, and his grandson, Ernest, Messrs. Lem Mitchell, Robert Clarke, Sid Holcombe, Alton Crocker, and others.

After a Thanksgiving dinner, the group went to the church and sang hymns. The service was very pleasant and the group enjoyed it very much.

### Ginning Report

Washington, Nov. 23, 1921.  
Orus T. Belue,  
Union, S. C.  
Dear Sir:

The tabulation of the card reports shows telegraph summary to be correct. There were 14,529 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Union county, from the crop of 1921 prior to November 14, 1921, as compared with 18,211 bales ginned to November 14, 1920.

Very respectfully,  
W. M. Steuart,  
Director.

### Armed Bandit Gets Big Haul

St. Louis, Nov. 26.—Four armed bandits entered the office of the St. Louis Refining company and escaped with diamonds and jewelry said to be valued at \$60,000.

### Another Plenary Session to be Held

Washington, Nov. 26.—So much progress has been made by the naval experts examining the details of the American reduction plan that some of the arms delegates expect another plenary session may be held soon to permit Japan and Great Britain to submit counter proposals in concrete form.

### Today's Cotton Market

	Open	Close
January . . . . .	17.80	17.57
March . . . . .	17.80	17.59
May . . . . .	17.50	17.29
July . . . . .	17.02	16.73
December . . . . .	17.99	17.65
Local market . . . . .		17.00
N. Y. Spots . . . . .		18.00

### Lions in Complete Control

Nairobi, British East Africa, Nov. 25.—Officials of a train arriving at one of the stations on the Uganda railway found three lions had taken possession, one in the telegraph room and one in the refreshment room while the other came out and stalked up and down the platform "in true official style" as the driver expressed it.

A lioness from the engine whistle caused the lions to decamp, whereupon the station staff emerged from a building some distance away.

### YOUTH IS GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Gaffney, Nov. 25.—The case of the state against Roy Henderson, the boy who was tried for killing the two little sons of Wofford Kirby, was completed Wednesday night, the jury remaining out only a short time before returning a verdict of guilty with recommendation to mercy. Judge Wilson has not as yet sentenced the defendant, as there is considerable ambiguity in the law which provides none place that persons guilty of murder shall be sentenced to the penitentiary for life, and in another place saying that boys under 18 years of age, who are convicted of crime, shall be sent to the reformatory and kept here until they reach the age of 21 years.

Butler & Hall, who represented the defendant, made a very strong fight for their client, bringing Dr. Boone, a specialist from Columbia, who has had the boy under observation. Dr. Boone testified that the killing might have taken place by the boy, and while he knew it was wrong, he could not realize the consequences of the crime, as his intelligence was only equal to that of a boy seven or eight years of age. The boy's father testified that he is 15 years of age, but that he had always been peculiar and very backward in most respects. Numerous witnesses testified to the fact that there had been insanity in the Kirby family, and there were witnesses who testified that there had been insanity in Mrs. Kirby's family.

The grand jury completed its labors Wednesday night, and in its final presentment recommended that the court of general sessions be continued into next week for the reason that there are a large number of cases which can not be tried at this term. Judge Wilson said that he could remain another week in Gaffney, so far as he is personally concerned but that he could not bring the jury back for another week's service. The grand jury further recommended that if it was not practicable to continue into next week, that a special term of the court be held on the purpose of trying the case which are now on the docket.

sentiment that matter had been discussed by members of the bar, and it is likely that a special term will be asked for.